

# June 16, 2019 SUNDAY BULLETIN

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# Sts. Peter & Paul Ukrainian Orthodox Church

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Holy Pentecost (Trinity Sunday)
The Descent of the Holy Spirit on the Church
Epistle: Acts 2:1-11; Gospel: John 7:37-52, 8:12
Father's Day

# Happy Father's Day

Children's children

are the crown of old men;

and the glory of children

are their fathers.

Proverbs 17:6

May God grant our spiritual fathers, fathers, grandfathers, great grandfathers, stepfathers, Godfathers, and all those whose paternal love and grace enrich our lives Many healthy, happy and blessed years!



# PENTECOST

# Epistle: Acts 2:1-11 The Coming of the Holy Spirit

2 ¹When the day of Pentecost was being celebrated, all of them were together in one place. ² Suddenly, a sound like the roar of a mighty windstorm came from heaven and filled the whole house where they were sitting.

<sup>3</sup> They saw tongues like flames of fire that separated, and one rested on each of them. <sup>4</sup> All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in foreign languages as the Spirit gave them that ability.

<sup>5</sup> Now devout Jews from every nation on earth were living in Jerusalem. <sup>6</sup> When that sound came, a crowd quickly gathered, startled because each one heard the disciples speaking in his own language.

<sup>7</sup>Stunned and amazed, they asked, "All of these people who are speaking are Galileans, aren't they? <sup>8</sup>So how is it that each one of us hears them speaking in his own native language:

<sup>9</sup> Parthians, Medes, Elamites, residents of Mesopotamia, Judea, Cappadocia, Pontus, Asia, <sup>10</sup> Phrygia, Pamphylia, Egypt, the district of Libya near Cyrene, Jewish and proselyte visitors from Rome,

<sup>11</sup>Cretans, and Arabs, listening to them talk in our own languages about the great deeds of God?"

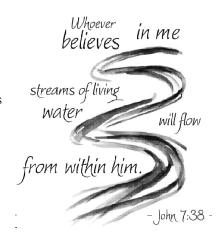


# **Streams of Living Water**

7 <sup>37</sup> On the last and most important day of the festival, Jesus stood up and shouted, "If anyone is thirsty, let him come to me and drink!

<sup>38</sup> The one who believes in me, as the Scripture has said, will have streams of living water flowing from his heart."

<sup>39</sup> Now he said this about the Spirit, whom those who were believing in him were to receive, because the Spirit was not yet present, and Jesus had not yet been glorified.



# Division among the People

<sup>40</sup>When they heard these words, some in the crowd were saying, "This really is the Prophet," <sup>41</sup>while others were saying, "This is the Messiah!"

But some were saying, "The Messiah doesn't come from Galilee, does he? <sup>42</sup> Doesn't the Scripture say that the Messiah is from David's family and from Bethlehem, the village where David lived?" <sup>43</sup> So there was a division in the crowd because of him. <sup>44</sup> Some of them were wanting to seize him, but no one laid hands on him.

#### The Unbelief of the Authorities

<sup>45</sup>Then the officers returned to the high priests and Pharisees, who asked them, "Why didn't you bring him?"

<sup>46</sup>The officers answered, "No man ever spoke like that!"

<sup>47</sup> Then the Pharisees replied to them, "You haven't been deceived, too, have you? <sup>48</sup> None of the authorities or Pharisees has believed in him, have they? <sup>49</sup> But this mob that does not know

the Law—they're under a curse!"

<sup>50</sup> One of their own, Nicodemus (the man who had previously met with Jesus), asked them, <sup>51</sup> "Surely our Law does not condemn a person without first hearing from him and finding out what he is doing, does it?" <sup>52</sup> They answered him, "You aren't from Galilee, too, are you? Search and see that no prophet comes from Galilee."

# Jesus is the Light of the World

**8** <sup>12</sup>Later on, Jesus spoke to them again, saying, "I am the light of the world. The one who follows me will never walk in darkness but will have the light of life."

Don't shine
so others
can see you.
SHINE
so that
through you
others can see
HIM.

#### UPCOMING PARISH AND OTHER EVENTS

Please contact the church office to schedule Panikhidas, request Bulletin Dedications, or make Prosphora Offerings.

#### PRAYER LIST

Please pray for good health for our following parish family members and others:

Fr. Gregory Becker, Fr. Andrew Gall, Fr. Paisius McGrath, Fr. John Nakonachny, Pani-matka Mary Ann Nakonachny, Mary Goncy, Nancy Racz, Mykola Prychodczenko, Walter Duzzny, Nancy Tiedeman, James Bobersky, Kay Malys, Marie Pupa, Deborah Harvey, Mary Lapushansky, Stella Woytek, Kathy Duzzny, Mary Ann Owens, Pauline Witkowsky, Dr. Dinah Fedyna, Marianne Carmack, Kenneth, Matthew, Peter, Michelle, Basil, Richard, Marty Woloschak

#### Announcements

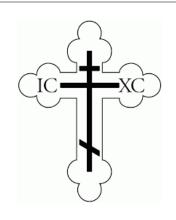
Today's memorial service is for Cheryl Kraynick, 17th Anniversary of Repose.

Tuesday, June 18, 2019: **HAPPY 101<sup>ST</sup> BIRTHDAY TO MARY GONCY.** You can send greetings to Mrs. Mary Goncy, Woodlands Nursing Center at AustinWoods, 4780 Kirk Road, Austintown, OH 44515

**Today's Bulletin is underwritten** by Marianne Shabatura Carmack to honor our Spiritual Father, The Rev. Ivan Tchopko, and our Choir Director, The Rev. Gregory Becker. Many Years. Axios! And in remembrance of beloved husband and father +Robert E. Carmack, Jr., beloved father +John W. Shabatura (1918-2008), grandfathers +Wasyl O. Shabatura and +Oleksa Iwanciw, and Godfather +Nicholas Patryck. May their memory be eternal!

#### SCHEDULE

- 9:30 AM, Sunday, June 16, 2019: DIVINE LITURGY PENTECOST TRINITY SUNDAY. HAPPY FATHER'S DAY! The Divine Liturgy will be immediately followed by The Kneeling Prayers of the Vespers of Pentecost.
- Week of June 16<sup>th</sup> is a FAST-FREE WEEK
- Monday, June 17, 2019: DAY OF THE HOLY SPIRIT
- 9:30, Sunday, June 23, 2019: **DIVINE LITURGY ALL SAINTS**
- Monday, June 24, 2019: Beginning of the Apostolic Fast of Sts. Peter & Paul
- Sunday, June 30, 2019: DIVINE LITURGY ALL SAINTS OF UKRANE
- Sunday, June 30, 2019: MEETING OF THE SENIOR UOL immediately following the Divine Liturgy.
- NEXT PEROGI SALE JULY 12, 2019: Preparation: 9:00 AM Wednesday, July 10; 9:00 AM Thursday July 11, Make Pirohi; 10:00-12:00 Noon, Friday, July 12, Pick-up. August TBA.



Readings: Epistle: Acts 2:1-11 Gospel: John 7:37-52, 8:12

# Troparion — Tone 8

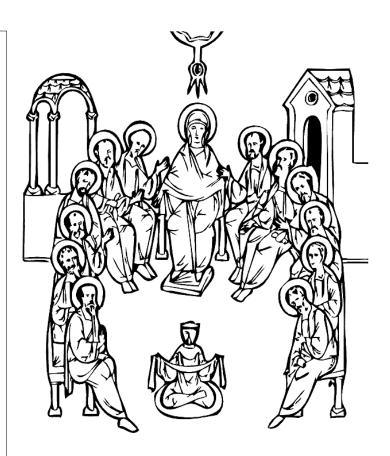
Blessed art You O Christ Our God You have revealed the fishermen as most wise. By sending down upon them the Holy Spirit. Through them You drew the world into Your net. O Lover of Man, Glory to You!

#### Kontakion — Tone 8

When the most High came down and confused the tongues, He divided the nations; But when he distributed the tongues of fire, He called all to unity.

Therefore, with one voice, we glorify the All-holy Spirit!





"Who is so great a God as our God?"

## **Holy Pentecost**

In the Church's annual liturgical cycle, Pentecost is "the last and great day." It is the celebration by the Church of the coming of the Holy Spirit as the end—the achievement and fulfillment—of the entire history of salvation. For the same reason, however, it is also the celebration of the beginning: it is the "birthday" of the Church as the presence among us of the Holy Spirit, of the new life in Christ, of grace, knowledge, adoption to God and holiness.

### The Kneeling Prayers of Pentecost

During the Vespers of Pentecost (celebrated immediately following the Divine Liturgy), "we are

invited to kneel. This is our first kneeling since Easter. It signifies that after these fifty days of Paschal joy and fulness, of experiencing the Kingdom of God, the Church now is about to begin her pilgrimage through time and history.

It is evening again, and the night approaches, during which temptations and failures await us, when, more than anything else, we need Divine help, that presence and power of the Holy Spirit, who has already revealed to us the joyful End, who now will help us in our effort towards fulfillment and salvation.

All this is revealed in the three prayers which the celebrant reads now as we all kneel and listen to him.

# The Three Prayers

In the first prayer, we bring to God our repentance, our increased appeal for forgiveness of sins, the first condition for entering into the Kingdom of God. In the second prayer, we ask the Holy Spirit to help us, to teach us to pray and to follow the true path in the dark and difficult night of our earthly existence. Finally, in the third prayer, we remember all those who have achieved their earthly journey, but who are united with us in the eternal God of Love.

### The JOY Of Easter Has Been Completed

The joy of Easter has been completed and we again have to wait for the dawn of the Eternal Day. Yet, knowing our weakness, humbling ourselves by kneeling, we also know the joy and the power of the Holy Spirit who has come. We know that God is with us, that in Him is our victory.

# We Enter Ordinary Time

Thus, is completed the feast of Pentecost and we enter "the ordinary time" of the year. Yet, every Sunday now will be called "after Pentecost"—and this means that it is from the power and light of these fifty days that we shall receive our own power, the Divine help in our daily struggle. At Pentecost we decorate our churches with flowers and green branches—for the Church "never grows old but is always young." It is an evergreen, everliving Tree of grace and life, of joy and comfort. For the Holy Spirit—"the Treasury of Blessings and Giver of Life—comes and abides in us, and cleanses us from all impurity," and fills our life with meaning, love, faith and hope." Father Alexander Schmemann (1974)



#### From the Church Fathers: On Pentecost

"If from one burning lamp someone lights another, then another from that one, and so on in succession, he has light continuously. In the same way, through the Apostles ordaining their successors, and these successors ordaining others, and so on, the grace of the Holy Spirit is handed down through all generations and enlightens all who obey their shepherds and teachers." *St. Gregory Palamas, "On how the Holy Spirit was manifested and shared out at Pentecost"*